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ADVANCE FOR AMS OF MONDAY, AUG. 7--NOTE DATE

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(ADVANCE) WASHINGTON, AUG. 6 (AP) - A WHITE HOUSE CLEARING HOUSE FOR THE FINAL EVALUATION OF SPY INFORMATION GATHERED BY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WAS PROPOSED TODAY BY SEN. MIKE MANSFIELD, D-MONT. MANSFIELD, THE SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER, SAID IN AN INTERVIEW HE BELIEVES THE CIA SHOULD BE LIMITED TO THE GATHERING AND REPORTING OF INFORMATION, WITHOUT THE AUTHORITY IT HAS EXERCISED IN THE PAST TO ANALYZE THE OVER-ALL IMPORT OF THE COLLECTED DATA.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY HAS NOT DISCUSSED WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS ANY PLANS HE MAY HAVE FOR OVERHAULING THE AGENCY, PRESENTLY HEADED BY ALLEN W. DULLES, MANSFIELD SAID.. DULLES IS EXPECTED TO RETIRE LATE THIS YEAR.

THE DEMOCRATIC CHIEFTAIN MADE IT CLEAR HE WAS GIVING ONLY HIS PERSONAL VIEWS IN ADVOCATING CHANGES. IN THE PAST HE HAS PROPOSED THAT CONGRESS SET UP A WATCHDOG COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE CIA ACTIVITIES BUT HAS NEVER BEEN ABLE TO MUSTER THE VOTES FOR ANY SUCH SETUP.

"I WOULD HOPE THAT THE CIA WILL BECOME MORE ANONYMOUS IN ITS ACTIVITIES, THAT NONE OF ITS OFFICIALS WOULD MAKE PUBLIC SPEECHES, FOR INSTANCE," HE SAID.

"I THINK THE AGENCY'S JOB IS TO COLLECT INFORMATION AND IT SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO REPORTING ITS FINDINGS. THESE DATA SHOULD BE CHANNELLED TO THE DEPARTMENTS PRIMARILY CONCERNED, SUCH AS STATE AND DEFENSE.

"THE DEPARTMENTS COULD MAKE THEIR EVALUATION OF THE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO THEM. BUT THE FINAL EVALUATION SHOULD REST WITH A SMALL, HIGHLY QUALIFIED GROUP OF MEN WHO WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE ONLY TO THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF.

"THIS GROUP COULD COORDINATE THE EVALUATIONS PLACED ON THE DATA BY THE DEPARTMENTS AND THUS GIVE THE PRESIDENT AN OVER-ALL PICTURE OF DEVELOPMENTS."

MANSFIELD SAID THAT WHAT HE READS IN THE PAPERS IS ALL HE KNOWS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT FOWLER HAMILTON, NEW YORK LAWYER, MAY TAKE OVER AS CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS WHEN DULLES RETIRES.

DULLES SERVES AS CHAIRMAN OF THE INTELLIGENCE BOARD, COMPOSED OF HEADS OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES OPERATING IN THIS FIELD. THIS GROUP, WHICH NOW PREPARES NATIONAL ESTIMATES, PRESUMABLY WOULD BE SUPPLANTED BY THE PRESIDENTIAL CLEARING HOUSE GROUP UNDER MANSFIELD'S PROPOSAL.

THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT HAS SET UP A NEW DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, OPERATING DIRECTLY UNDER SECRETARY ROBERT S. McNAMARA, TO EVALUATE INFORMATION TURNED UP BY AGENTS OF THE THREE SERVICES.

THERE HAVE BEEN INDICATIONS THAT KENNEDY INTENDS TO ACT SOON TO REORGANIZE THE INTELLIGENCE SETUP. BUT WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY PIERRE SALINGER DENIED LAST WEEK THAT ANY DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON THE POSSIBILITY OF STRIPPING THE CIA OF ITS EVALUATING AUTHORITY.

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"THE NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE THIS MORNING IS INCORRECT. NO SUCH DECISION HAS BEEN MADE. THERE HAVE BEEN, AS WE HAVE STATED PUBLICLY ON MANY OCCASIONS, WIDE-RANGING STUDIES OF THE ENTIRE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION, BY THE KILLIAN GROUP AND OTHERS. A GREAT MANY PROPOSALS ARE BEING CONSIDERED. BUT I CAN STATE PRECISELY THAT NO SUCH DECISION AS OUTLINED IN THIS MORNING'S NEW YORK TIMES HAS BEEN ARRIVED AT."